Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in Fairfax County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

January 23, 2013 to February 22, 2013

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing the proposed reconstruction of USGS Drive in Reston to determine whether the project would be consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water, and other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

U.S. General Services Administration

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes to reconstruct the existing U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Drive from Sunrise Valley Drive to South Lake Drive in Reston, Virginia. Total surface area of the road to be reconstructed is 2.7 acres. As part of the project, GSA will provide stormwater management, using infiltration trenches located along the road within roadside ditches. Some trees, which are itemized on the construction plan, are to be removed; these will be replaced in kind, species as well as size. Approximately 4,700 cubic yards of spoil will be created by the project; this will stored at an appropriate site on U.S. Geological Survey property, and used for a future landscaping project.

The GSA states that the proposed project is consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax, or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project document at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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